Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Hazel Stark was born on December 23, 1916, at Utica, South Dakota, to parents of Danish heritage; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Hazel and her husband of 60 years, Alfred Hauck, farmed north of Utica, and were the proud parents of three children, Lois, John and Elaine, who have blessed them with 7 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandson; and,

Whereas, Hazel has been an active member of the churches in Utica and Yankton, and as President of the Martinus Ladies Aid, engineered the creation and publication of the *Country Cookbook*; and,

Whereas, Hazel retired after 17 years of employment at the South Dakota Human Services Center, is known as an excellent cook, seamstress and devoted and loyal friend; and,

Whereas, Hazel lives at the Avera Care Center at Yankton, South Dakota, and will observe her 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 23, 2006, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State